FISCAL NOTE

HB 1820 - SB 1814

April 26, 1999

SUMMARY OF BILL: Requires health insurers, including health maintenance organizations, to provide coverage for voluntary breast removal of women at high risk for developing breast cancer.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase State Expenditures - Exceeds \$100,000 Other Fiscal Impact - Increase Expenditures - Exceeds \$100,000/Health Insurance Industry*

Estimate assumes that:

- TennCare would incur increased expenditures since the mandate is levied on HMOs and would apply to all TennCare managed care organizations.
- the mandate does not impact the state employee health insurance plan or self-funded local government plans because they are exempted by Federal law (ERISA).
- the mandate on the private health insurance industry will increase costs exceeding \$100,000.

*The impact on the health industry is included as required by Chapter 244 of the Public Acts of 1989.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

James A. Davenport, Executive Director

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